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Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Office Actions dated April 26, 2002 and September 12, 2002.

REMARKS

I. Introduction

In the Office Actions dated April 26, 2002 and September 12, 2002 (hereinafter "the Office Actions"), claims 1-44 were examined. Claims 18-44 are allowed. Furthermore, claims 7, 9, 10, 13, and 16 are objected to, but are acknowledged as containing allowable subject matter. However, claims 1-6, 8, 11, 12, 14, 15, and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by newly applied Long et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,161,927 (hereinafter "Long").

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